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Re: Filing of Amendment
U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/667,706
Our Ref: WAK.065

Dear Examiner Owens:

Enclosed please find an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2004 which should place the Application in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this case.

Very truly yours,



Phillip E. Miller

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Enclosure

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: